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REQUEST	Application No.	09/041,538	
FOR	Filing Date	March 11, 1998	CR
CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)	First Named Inventor	Menard	
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application	Group Art Unit	1//1	- / Wh d
filed on or after June 8, 1995.	Examiner Name	A. Singh	
See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)	Atty Docket No.	1948-4293US1	GIF
This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 of the above-identified application.			
NOTE: 37 C.F.R. §1.114 is effective on May 29, 2000. If the above-identified application was filed prior to May 29, 2000, applicant may wish to consider filing a continued prosecution application (CPA) under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(d) (PTO/SB/29) instead of a RCE to be eligible for the patent term adjustment provisions of the AIPA. See Changes to Application Examination and Provisional Application Practice, Interim Rule, 65 Fed. Reg. 14865 (Mar. 20, 2000), 1233 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 47 (Apr. 11, 2000), which established RCE practice.			
1. Submission under 37 C.F.R. §1.114			
a Previously submitted			
Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on			
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).  ii. Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on			
ii. Other:			
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a. Suspension of action of the above-identified application is required a months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)  of months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(i) required)			
b. Other:			
3. Fees The RCE fee under C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed			
a. The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 13-4500, Order No. 1948-4293USI			
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FRICTION MATERIAL DESIGNED FOR FITTING TO A DEVICE EMPLOYING FRICTION IN A LIQUID MEDIUM, AND THE METHOD OF PRODUCING SUCH

A FRICTION MATERIAL AND THE DEVICE TO WHICH IT IS FITTED

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